

Bord Gais Energy Supply

Response to All Island Project Consultation Paper – 13 March 2007 Disclosure of Information to Final Customer by Suppliers

Bord Gais Energy Supply (BGES) has recently published its "Fuel Mix Disclosure Label" for 2005 in the Republic of Ireland. This will shortly appear on our customers' Electricity Bills and in our promotional material to electricity customers. We will be updating this information for 2006 over the coming months. BGES appreciates that the arrangements for the calculation of this information will require revision with the move to a pool under the SEM.

The paper sets out different options for the calculation of the Fuel Mix and environmental impact information for customers under a pool environment.

BGES agrees with the recommendation of the RAs that Option 2 – Financial Contracts - is the best way of calculating fuel sources. While suppliers are buying from the Pool, their real position in terms of fuel mix is reflected in their choice of financial contracts. This option allows Suppliers to differentiate themselves from other Suppliers in the way that option 1 – Average Pool Fuel Mix - does not. This is critical for Suppliers otherwise the Fuel Mix Disclosure has little meaning for individual Suppliers and is also is in the spirit of the original EU Directive.

BGES agrees with the RAs that the disclosure of the Environmental Impact Information should adopt a similar approach to that currently being employed in the Republic of Ireland. This currently works well and in a simple fashion.